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DURING A BATTLE ON HIS HOME PLANET, AN EXPLOSION HURLED SONIC THE HEDGEHOG, HIS FRIENDS, AND THE EVIL DR. EGGMAN ACROSS DIMENSIONS TO THE CITY OF STATION SQUARE ON PLANET EARTH.

NOW SONIC AND HIS FRIENDS PROTECT EARTH FROM DR. EGGMAN'S MACHIAVELLIAN ATTEMPTS.

GOOD LUCK, SONIC. WE'LL MEET YOU BACK ON THE MAIN DECK OF THE SHIP ONCE YOU'VE ACCOMPLISHED YOUR MISSION.

WHAT'S THIS? SONIC THE HEDGEHOG SCUBA DIVING? BUT SONIC HATES WATER! WHAT COULD POSSIBLY HAVE LED TO THIS ASTONISHING TURN OF EVENTS?

TURN THE PAGE TO TURN BACK THE CLOCK AND FIND OUT THE ANSWER...

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SEE SONIC! SEA BATTLE!
SEE SONIC SEA BATTLE!

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TWENTY-FOUR HOURS AGO, CHRIS THORNDYKE, HIS GRANDFATHER CHUCK, AND SONIC RECEIVED A VERY IMPORTANT VISITOR.

WE CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH FOR FOILING EGGMAN'S BANK ROBBERY LAST WEEK, SONIC.

*RUN RIGHT OUT AND READ ISSUE ONE, IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY. WELL? HURRY UP!

AWW, IT WAS NOTHIN', MR. PRESIDENT.

TIME AND AGAIN, YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS HAVE PROTECTED THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTRY.

NOW I COME TO ASK YOU TO UNDERTAKE A VERY IMPORTANT MISSION FOR ME.



YES, SIR, MR. PRESIDENT.

THREE HUNDRED YEARS AGO, A VICIOUS PIRATE BY THE NAME OF CAPTAIN SEANUS "RED-EYE" MACGUFFIN TERRORIZED THE EMERALD COAST.

HE PLUNDERED COASTAL TOWNS AND ROBBED ANY SHIPS HE ENCOUNTERED ON THE SEA.

WHAT'S THAT GOT TO DO WITH US?

YOU CAN COUNT ON ME!



GOVERNMENT RESEARCHERS
THINK THEY'VE LOCATED THE SHIP
AT THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA OFF
THE EMERALD COAST.

I WANT YOU
TO LEAD THE
RECOVERY
TEAM.

WHY
ME?

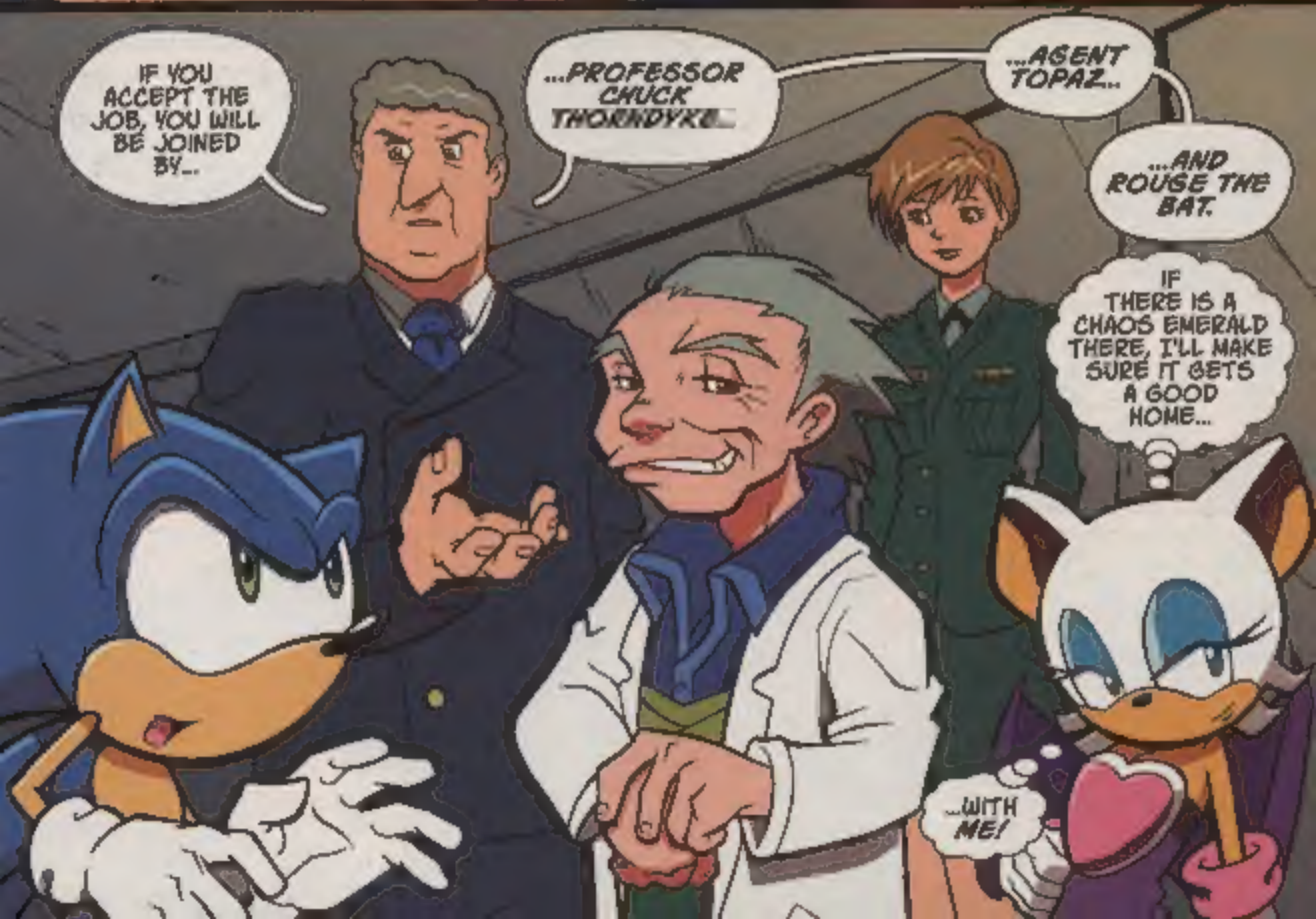
OUR SENSORS HAVE DETECTED
AN UNUSUAL ENERGY SIGNATURE
EMANATING FROM THE WRECK.

WE THINK
IT MIGHT BE
A CHAOS
EMERALD.



YOU ARE
THE PLANET'S
LEADING EXPERT
ON CHAOS EMERALDS
WHO ISN'T A
MEGALOMANIACAL
MADMAN.

IF THERE IS
A CHAOS EMERALD
DOWN THERE, THEN
THERE'S NO ONE
BETTER TO LEAD THIS
MISSION.



IF YOU
ACCEPT THE
JOB, YOU WILL
BE JOINED
BY...

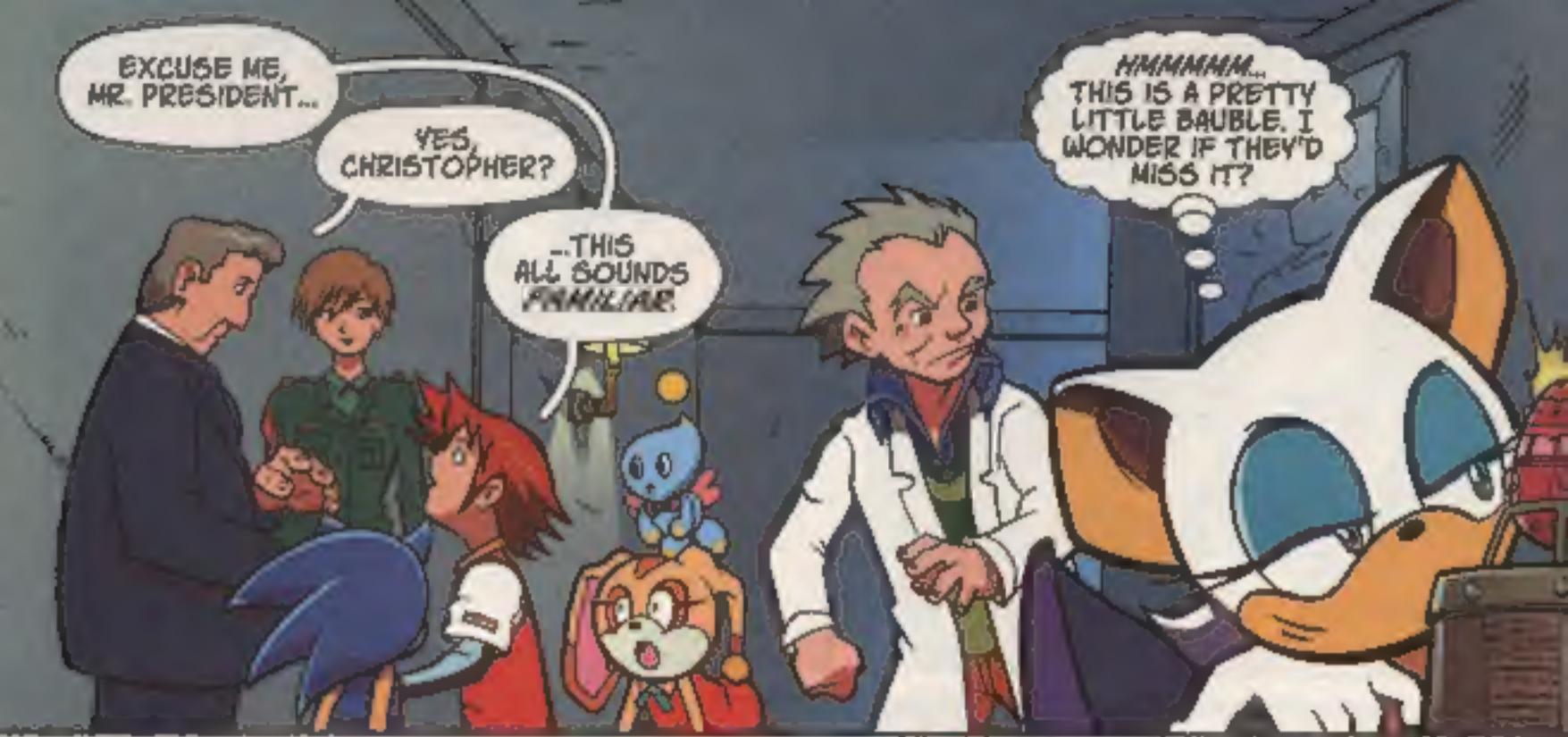
...PROFESSOR
CHUCK
THORNDYKE...

...AGENT
TOPAZ...

...AND
ROUSE THE
BAT.

IF
THERE IS A
CHAOS EMERALD
THERE, I'LL MAKE
SURE IT GETS
A GOOD
HOME...

...WITH
ME!



EXCUSE ME, MR. PRESIDENT...

YES, CHRISTOPHER?

...THIS ALL SOUNDS FAMILIAR.

HMMMMM... THIS IS A PRETTY LITTLE BAUBLE. I WONDER IF THEY'D MISS IT?



WE ONCE TOOK A DAY TRIP TO THE SAPPHIRE SEA AND GOT MIXED UP IN AN ADVENTURE WITH A SUNKEN SHIP, A TREASURE CHEST, A CRABBY CRUSTACEAN, AND AN EMERALD.

IS IT POSSIBLE WE ALREADY FOUND THE SHIP YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT?



WE'RE AWARE OF THAT ADVENTURE, YOUNG MAN.

BUT THE REMAINS OF CAPTAIN RED-EYE'S SHIP IS AT COMPLETELY DIFFERENT CO-ORDINATES THAN THAT OTHER SHIP YOU FOUND.



IT SEEMS AWFULLY COINCIDENTAL THAT TWO SHIPS WITH TWO CHAOS EMERALDS WOULD SINK IN THE SAME SEA.

THAT'S WHAT WE THOUGHT TOO AND IT'S ANOTHER REASON WHY WE NEED YOU FOR THIS MISSION.



YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS MYSTERY.

SO WILL YOU DO IT, SONIC?

AND THAT IS HOW SONIC THE HEDGEHOG FOUND HIMSELF TWO DOZEN LEAGUES UNDER THE SEA...



COME IN, SONIC. CAN YOU READ ME?

LOUD AND CLEAR, PROFESSOR.



DO YOU SEE ANYTHING YET?

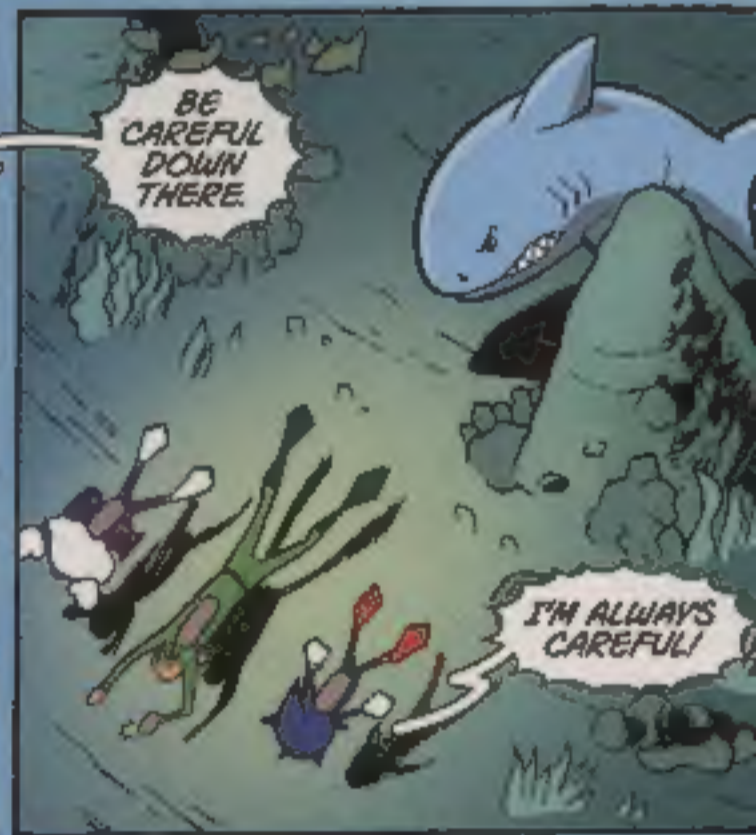
I'M PICKING UP A SIGNAL NOW. WE'RE GOING TO CHECK IT OUT.

MESSAGE RECEIVED, TOPAZ.



BE CAREFUL DOWN THERE.

I'M ALWAYS CAREFUL!

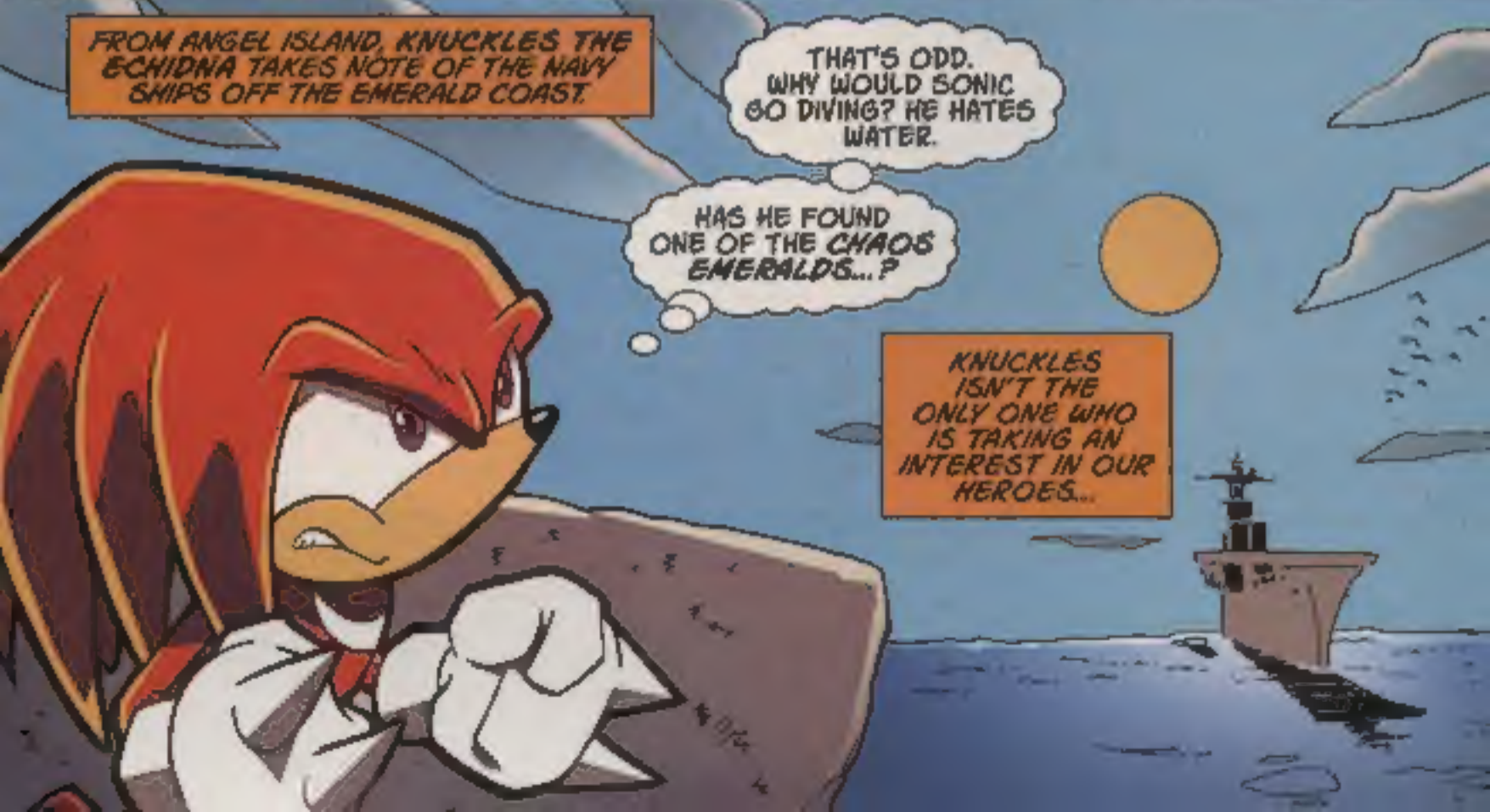


FROM ANGEL ISLAND, KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA TAKES NOTE OF THE NAVY SHIPS OFF THE EMERALD COAST.

THAT'S ODD. WHY WOULD SONIC GO DIVING? HE HATES WATER.

HAS HE FOUND ONE OF THE CHAOS EMERALDS...?

KNUCKLES ISN'T THE ONLY ONE WHO IS TAKING AN INTEREST IN OUR HEROES...



DR. EGGMAN'S
REBUILT
BEACHFRONT
LABORATORY...

DR. EGGMAN,
SONIC HAS DIVED INTO
THE WATER!

EXCELLENT!
THEN HE HAS
FALLEN INTO MY
BRILLIANT
TRAP!

SONIC IS AT
A SIGNIFICANT
DISADVANTAGE
WHEN HE'S UNDER
WATER.

YES! SONIC
IS LIKE A FISH
OUT OF WATER
WHEN IT COMES
TO BEING IN
WATER.

BUT
FISH LIKE
WATER.

OH, SHUT
UP, BOTH OF
YOU!

IT'S TIME TO PUT
THE NEXT PART OF MY
BRILLIANT SCHEME INTO
ACTION AND RID MYSELF OF
THAT PESKY HEDGEHOG
ONCE AND FOR ALL!

DR. EGGMAN,
WHAT ARE THOSE
DEVICES ON THE
WORKBENCH?

JUST THE MOST BRILLIANT
INVENTIONS OF MY
BRILLIANT CAREER.

USING THE
RINGS I PICKED
UP DURING MY BANK
ROBBERY LAST WEEK*

HEE HEE! MINE!
ALL MINE!

*AS RELATED IN LAST
MONTH'S ISSUE.

... I HAVE CREATED AN **ENERGY**
SOURCE THAT WILL MAKE MY
NEWEST ROBOTS MORE
POWERFUL THAN EVER!

THERE'S
GOT TO BE
MORE,
BOBOE.

THERE'S
ALWAYS
MORE,
DECOE.

BUT THERE'S
SO MUCH MORE
TO MY BRILLIANT
PLAN...!

HAHAHAHAHAHA

IF SONIC'S RINGS ARE GOING TO POWER YOUR NEW ROBOTS, WHY DID YOU HAVE US HIDE TWO IN THAT SUNKEN SHIP, DR. EGGMAN, SIR?

I NEEDED A BRILLIANT WAY TO LURE SONIC INTO MY TRAP.

THANKS TO THE UNUSUAL ENERGY SIGNATURE EMITTED BY THE RINGS, THOSE FOOLS THINK THEY'RE GOING TO FIND A CHAOS EMERALD.

DECOE-- YOU LACK THE BRILLIANCE TO CONCEIVE THE SUBTLE CUNNING OF THIS PLAN.

WHAT THEY ARE REALLY GOING TO FIND...

...HEE HEE...

...IS THEIR DOOM!

AREN'T THEY BEAUTIFUL?

WHY DOESN'T HE EVER CALL US BEAUTIFUL?

MY DRAGONBOTS WILL DRAW THEIR POWER FROM SONIC'S OWN RINGS!

"DO YOU THINK SONIC CAN SURVIVE WHEN HIS OWN POWER IS TURNED AGAINST HIM?"

WOW!
THAT MUST BE THE
MACGUFFIN.

THE
SIGNAL'S GETTING
STRONGER.

WHICH
MEANS WE'RE
SETTING CLOSER
TO MY NEW
EMERALD!



THAT
MUST BE
IT!

STAND
BACK,
KIDS..



...AND LET A
PROFESSIONAL
HANDLE THIS!



ROUSE!
LOOK OUT!

CRASH!



I'M NOT GOING TO LET THAT EMERALD SLIP THROUGH MY BEAUTIFULLY MANICURED FINGERS!



HEY! THAT'S NO WAY TO TREAT A LADY, BABYCAKES!

CHOMP



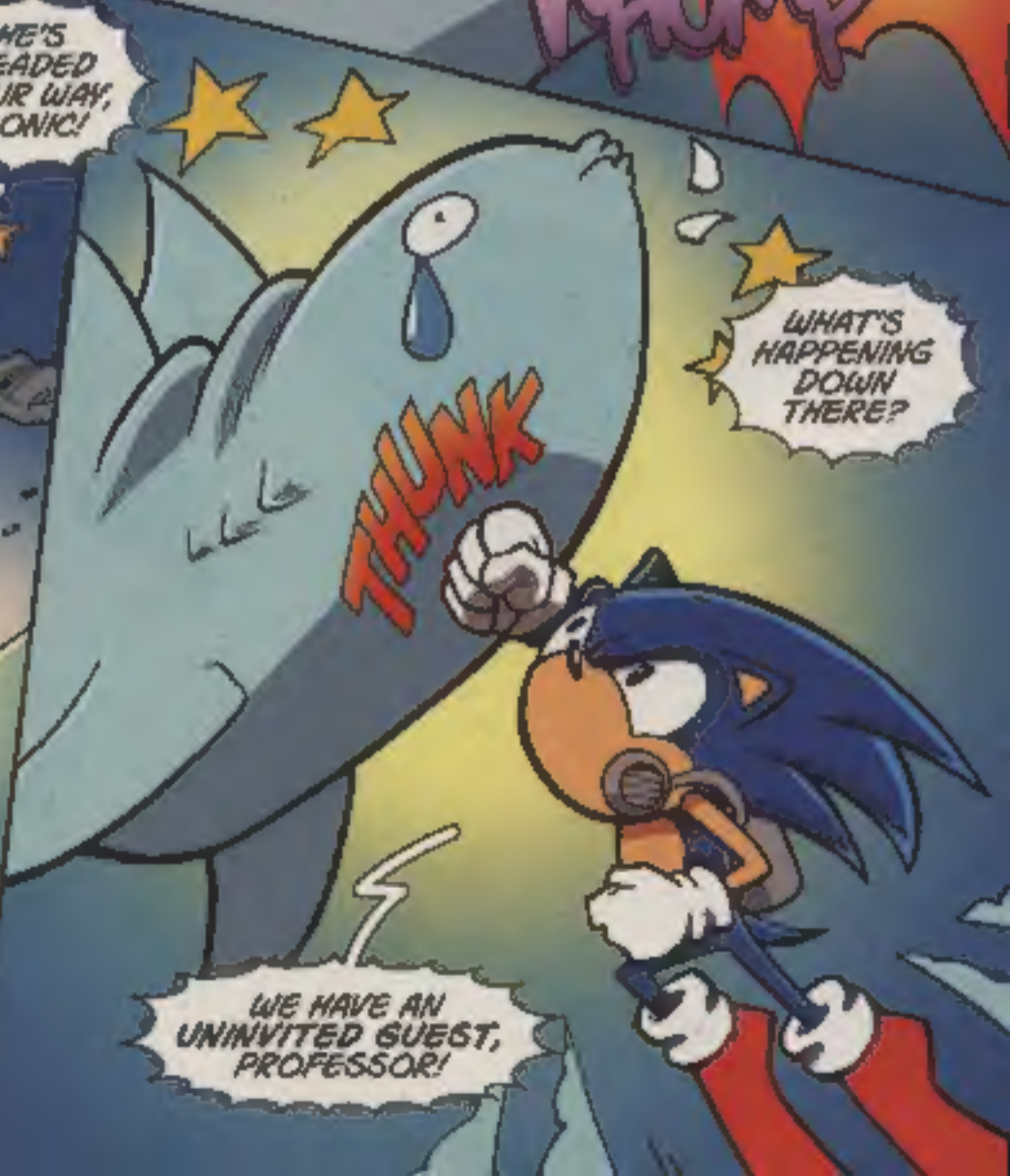
IT'S NOT POLITE TO BITE A GIRL YOU'VE JUST MET.

WHUMP



HE'S HEADED YOUR WAY, SONIC!

I SEE HIM, TOPAZ. HOPEFULLY THE WATER WON'T SLOW ME DOWN TOO MUCH TO KICK FIN!



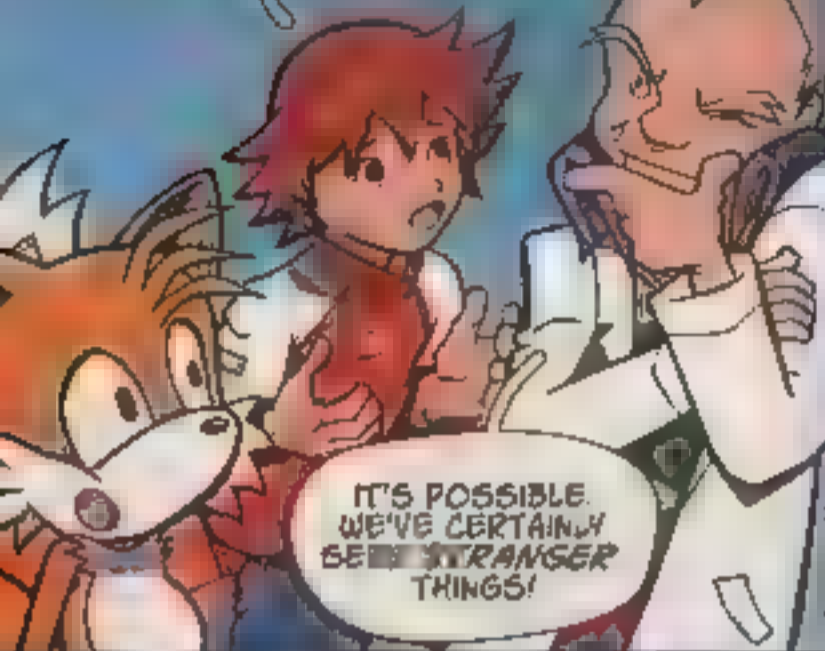
THUNK

WHAT'S HAPPENING DOWN THERE?

WE HAVE AN UNINVITED GUEST, PROFESSOR!

ABOVE

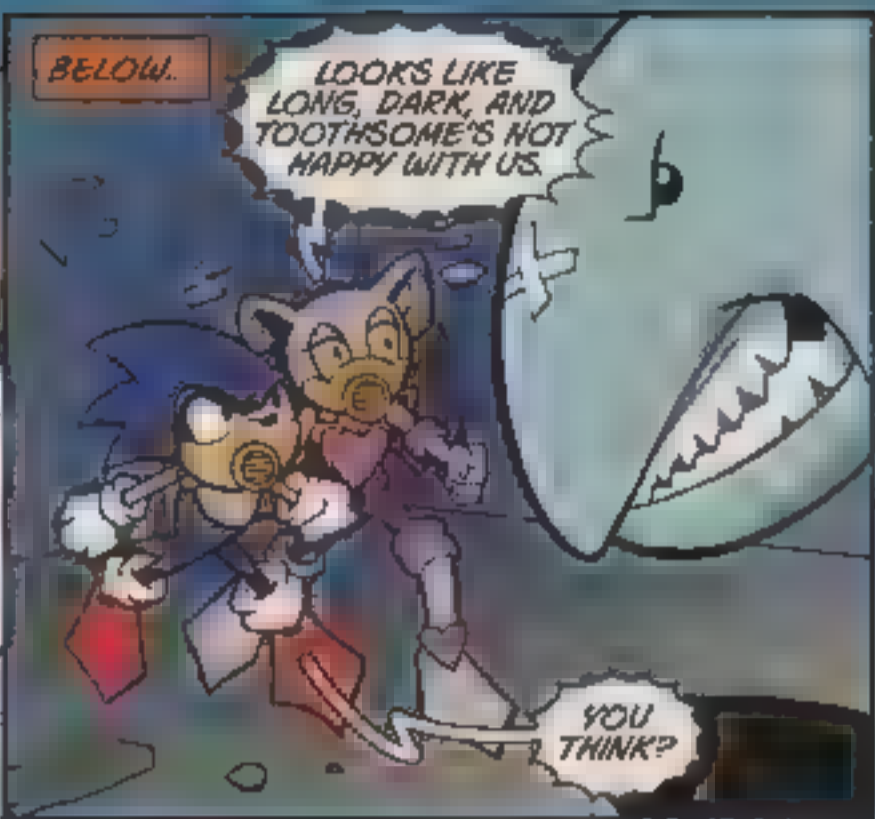
COULD IT BE THE GHOST OF CAPTAIN RED-EYE?



IT'S POSSIBLE. WE'VE CERTAINLY SEEN STRANGER THINGS!

BELOW.

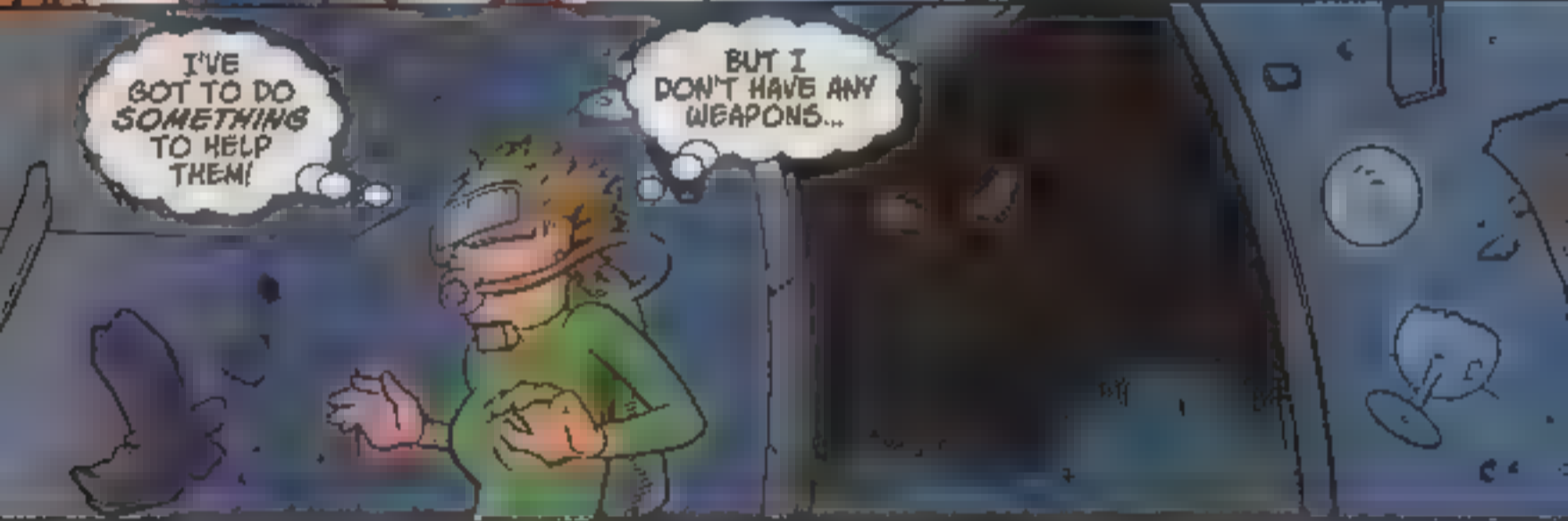
LOOKS LIKE LONG, DARK, AND TOOTHY'S NOT HAPPY WITH US.



YOU THINK?

I'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING TO HELP THEM!

BUT I DON'T HAVE ANY WEAPONS...

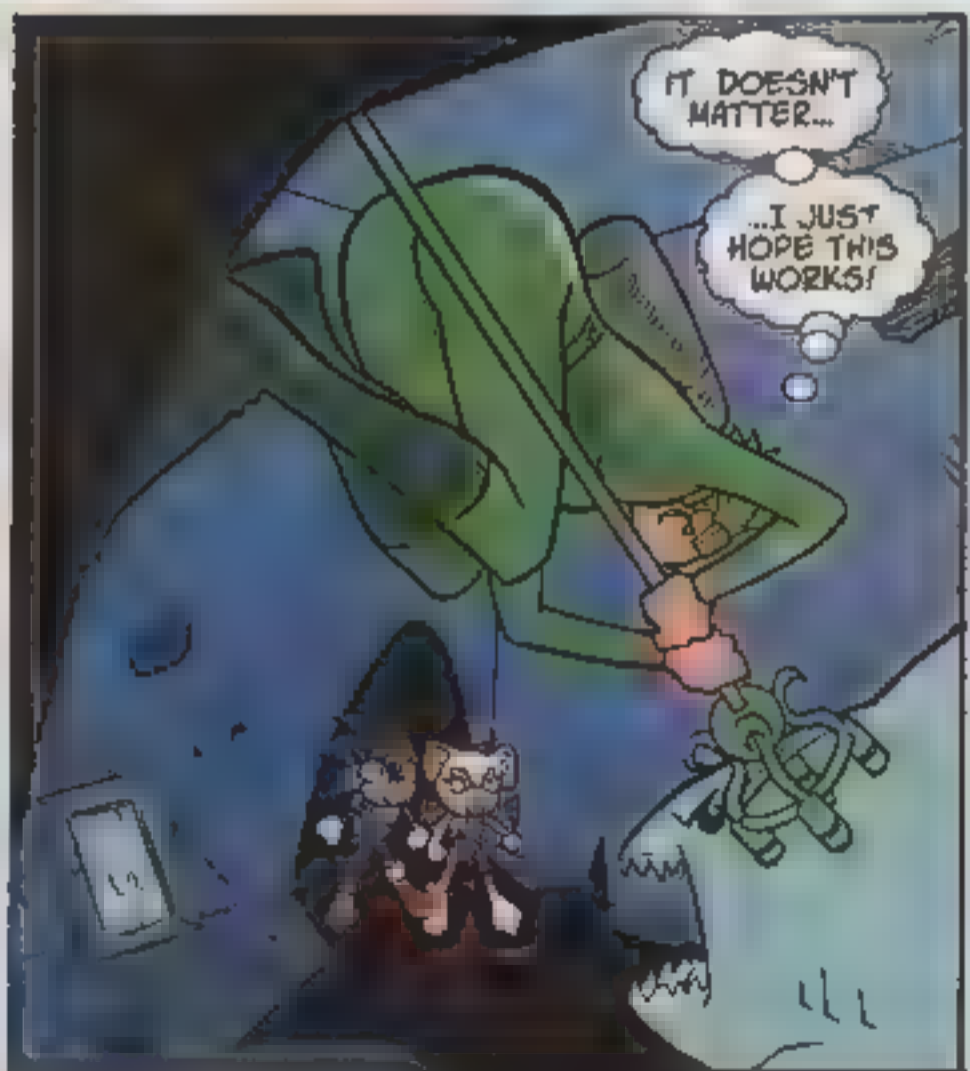


WHERE DID THAT CANDELABRUM COME FROM?



IT DOESN'T MATTER...

...I JUST HOPE THIS WORKS!



AS SONIC, TOPAZ, AND ROUGE DEAL WITH ONE THREAT, AN EVEN GREATER ONE IS TAKING SHAPE!

BUT, WHY DIDN'T YOU USE THE RINGS TO MAKE YOURSELF MORE POWERFUL?

I TRIED. APPARENTLY THE RINGS ARE GENETICALLY ENCODED TO RESPOND ONLY TO SONIC'S PHYSIOGNOMY.

NO OTHER LIVING BEING IS AFFECTED BY THEIR ENERGY

HOW DISAPPOINTING, SIR.

NOT TO WORRY, MY DREARY DRONE. I'VE DRAINED THE R ENERGY AND USED IT TO SUPERCHARGE THE BATTERIES TO POWER MY DRAGONBOTS.

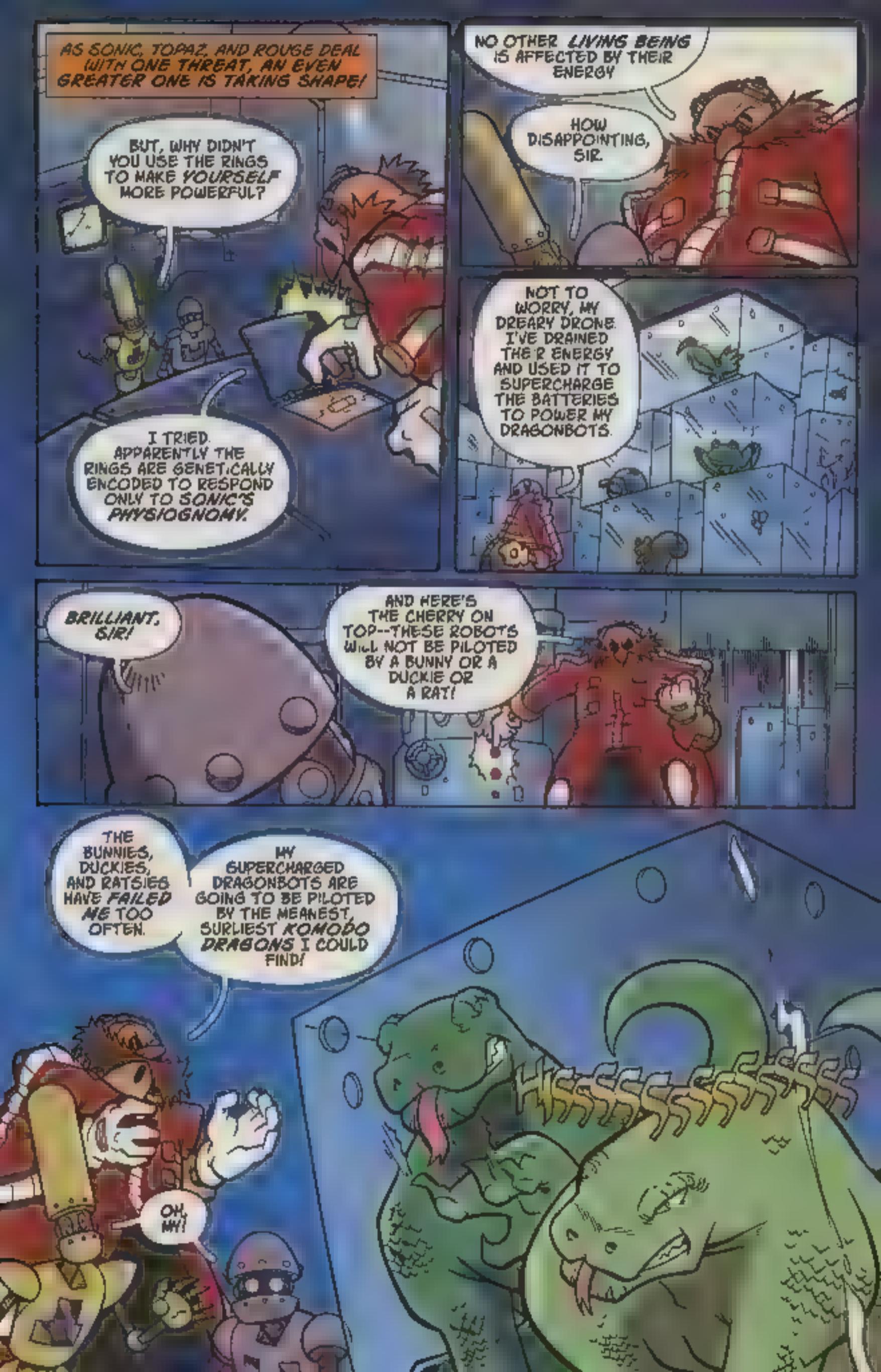
BRILLIANT, SIR!

AND HERE'S THE CHERRY ON TOP--THESE ROBOTS WILL NOT BE PILOTED BY A BUNNY OR A DUCKIE OR A RAT!

THE BUNNIES, DUCKIES, AND RATSIES HAVE FAILED ME TOO OFTEN.

MY SUPERCHARGED DRAGONBOTS ARE GOING TO BE PILOTED BY THE MEANEST, SURLIEST KOMODO DRAGONS I COULD FIND!

OH, MY!



BACK AT THE
MACGUFFIN.

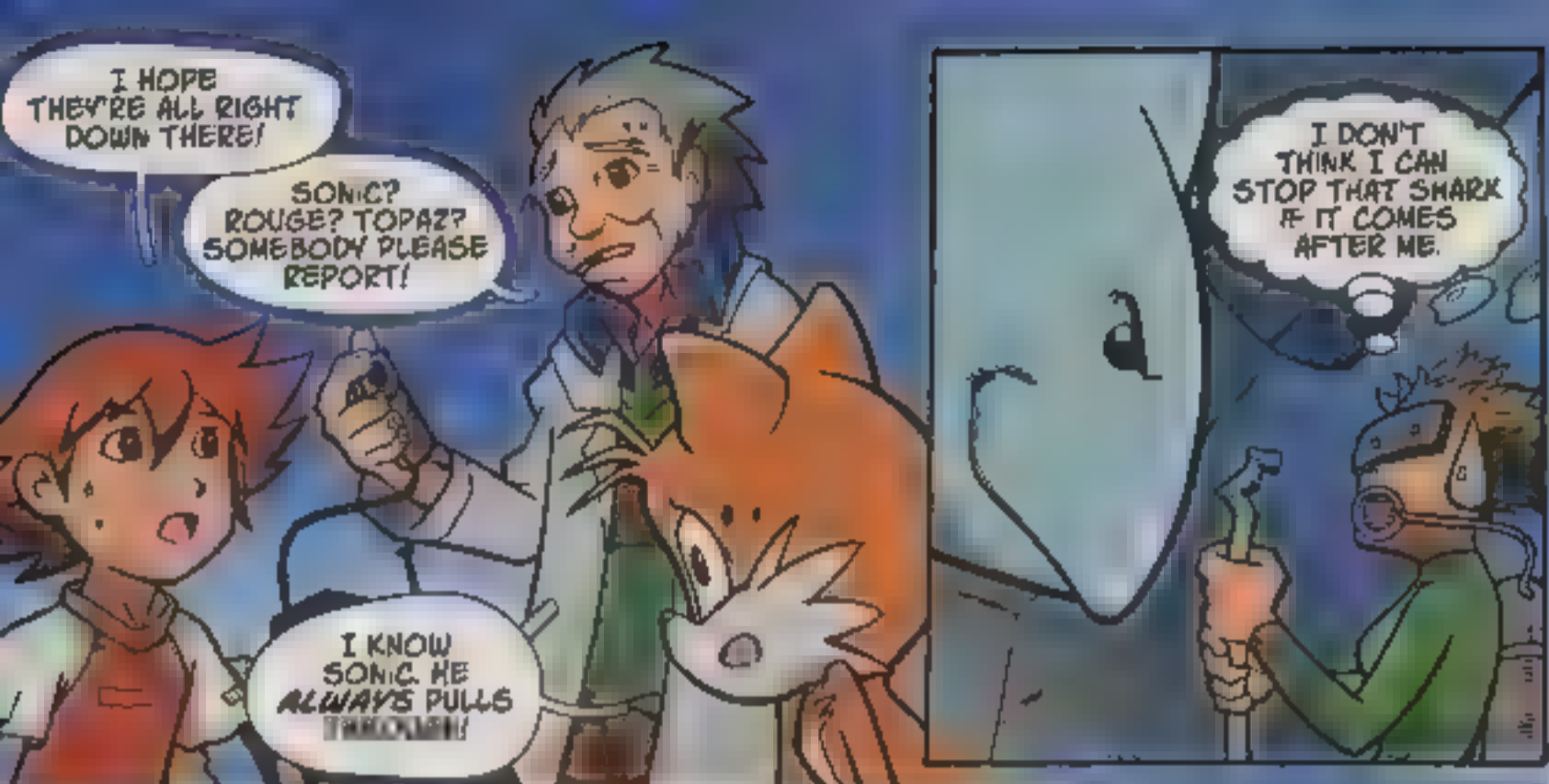
MAYBE I
CAN USE THIS
CANDELABRUM TO
SAVE ROUGE AND
SONIC!

ARE YOU
GUYS ALL RIGHT?
SOMEBODY PLEASE
REPORT!

OH OH...

?

CLASH

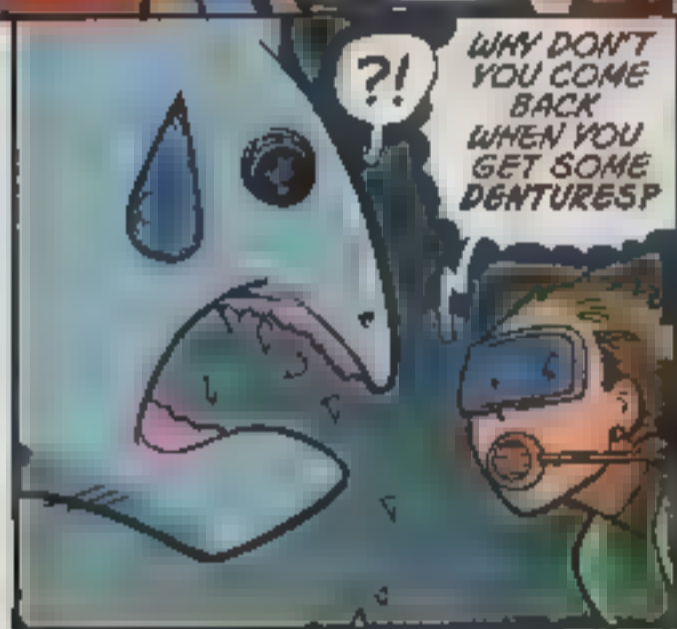


I HOPE THEY'RE ALL RIGHT DOWN THERE!

SONIC? ROUGE? TOPAZ? SOMEBODY PLEASE REPORT!

I KNOW SONIC. HE ALWAYS PULLS THROUGH!

I DON'T THINK I CAN STOP THAT SHARK IF IT COMES AFTER ME.



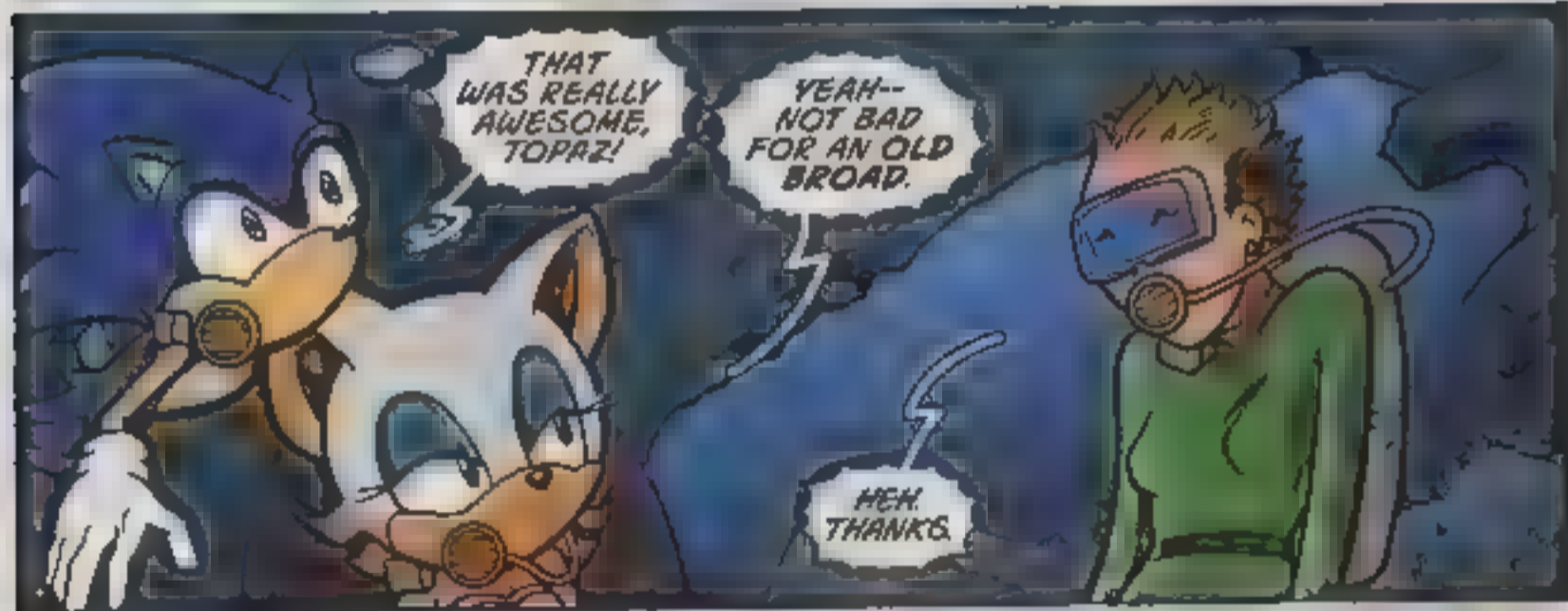
?!

WHY DON'T YOU COME BACK WHEN YOU GET SOME DENTURES?



SOMEONE PLEASE TELL US WHAT'S GOING ON!

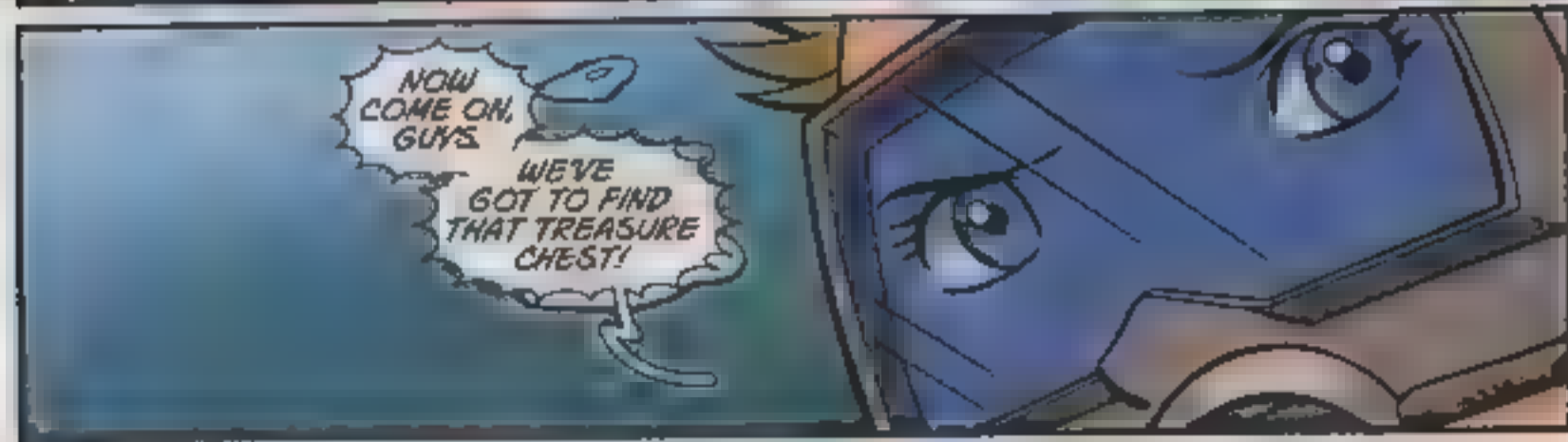
WE'RE FINE, PROFESSOR JUST A LITTLE EXCITEMENT WITH A SHARK, BUT TOPAZ TOOK THE BITE OUT OF IT.



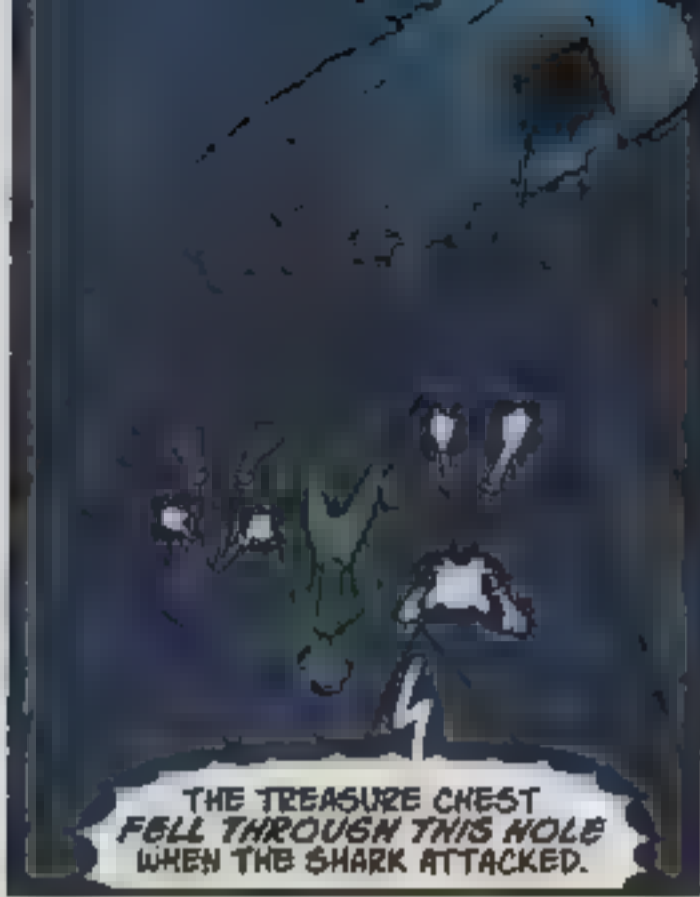
THAT WAS REALLY AWESOME, TOPAZ!

YEAH-- NOT BAD FOR AN OLD BROAD.

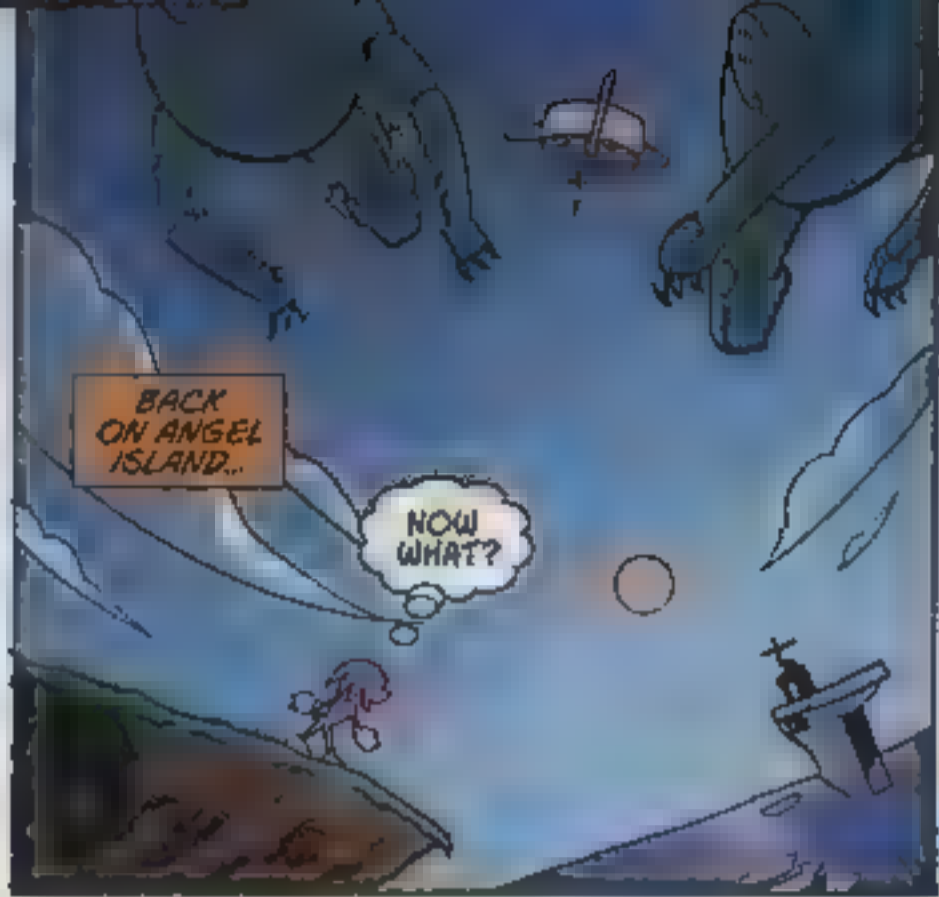
HEH. THANKS.



NOW COME ON, GUYS. WE'VE GOT TO FIND THAT TREASURE CHEST!



THE TREASURE CHEST
FELL THROUGH THIS HOLE
WHEN THE SHARK ATTACKED.



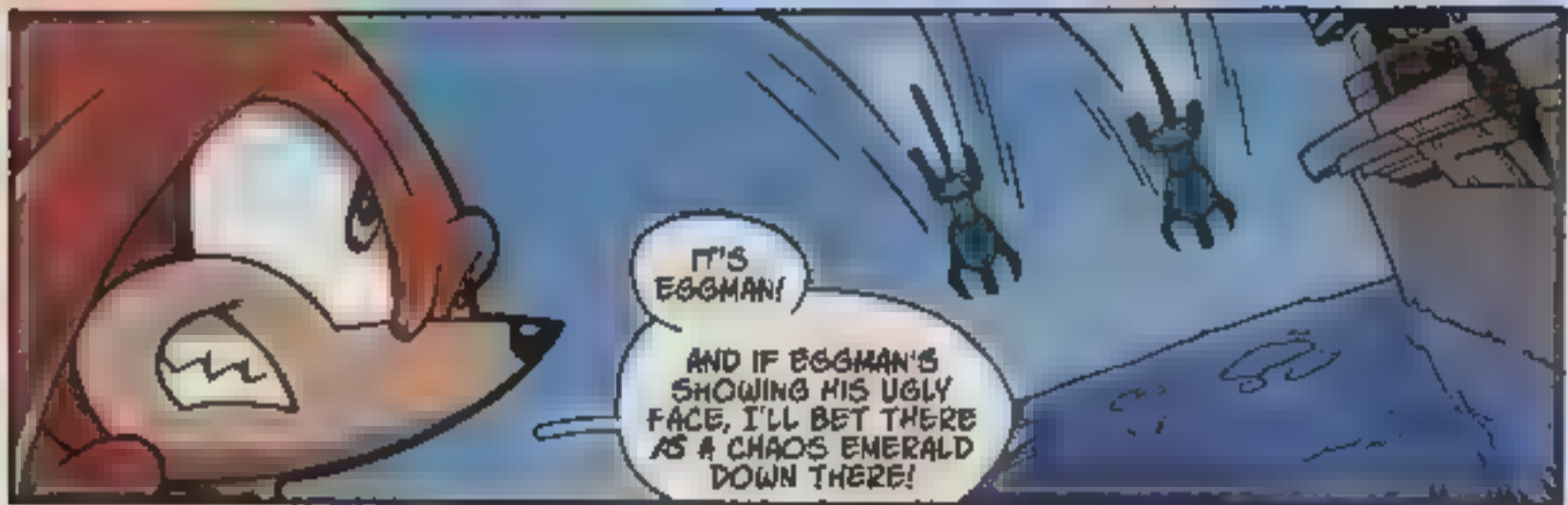
BACK
ON ANGEL
ISLAND...

NOW
WHAT?



NOW MY
PRETTIES,
DIVE!

DIVE DOWN AND
MAKE MINCEMEAT
OF THAT HEDGEHOG
AND HIS LITTLE FRIENDS
TOO! HEE HEE!



IT'S
EGGMAN!

AND IF EGGMAN'S
SHOWING HIS UGLY
FACE, I'LL BET THERE
AS A CHAOS EMERALD
DOWN THERE!

HAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHA

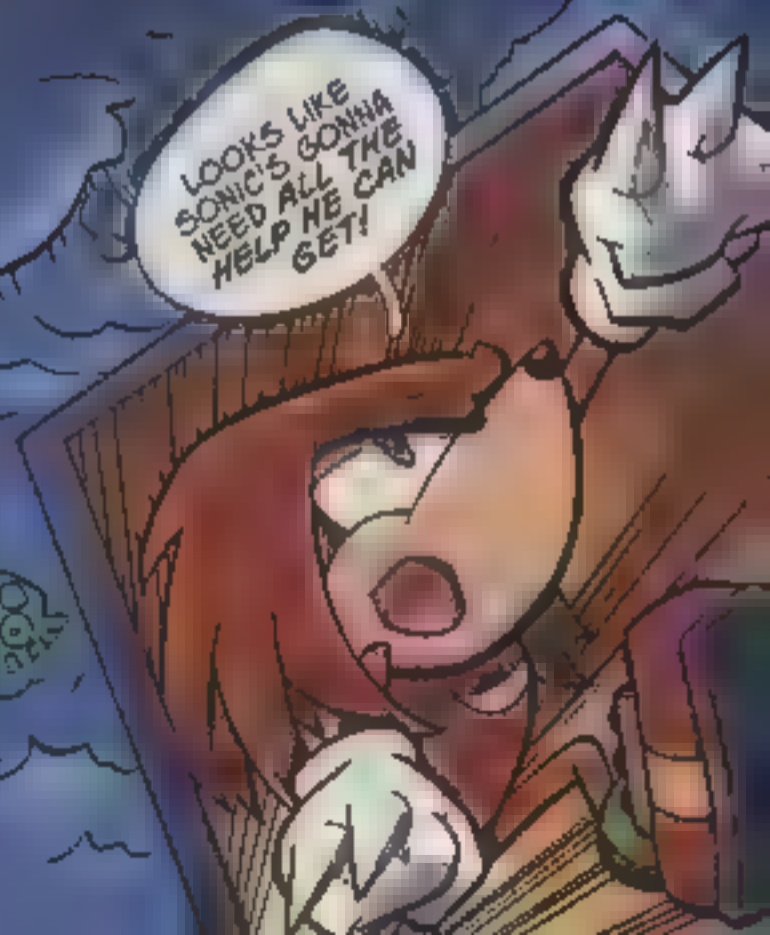


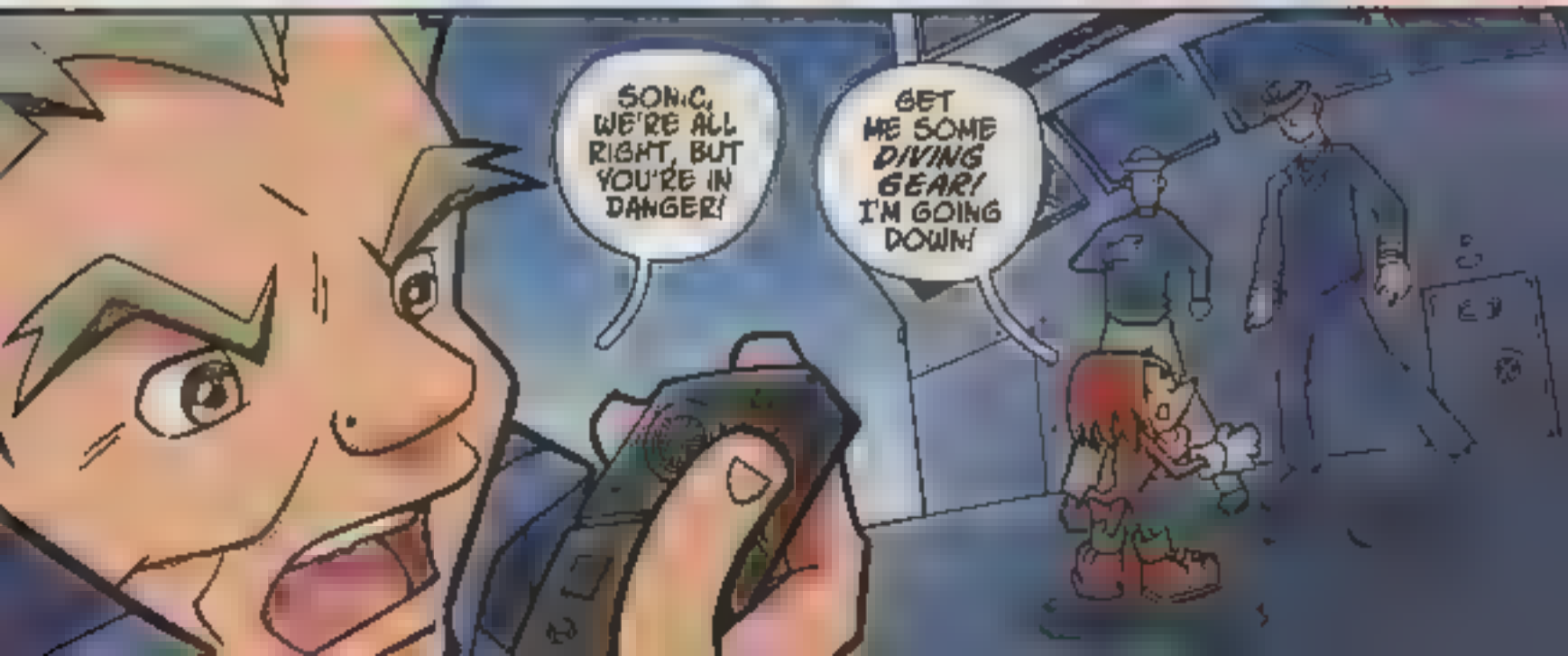
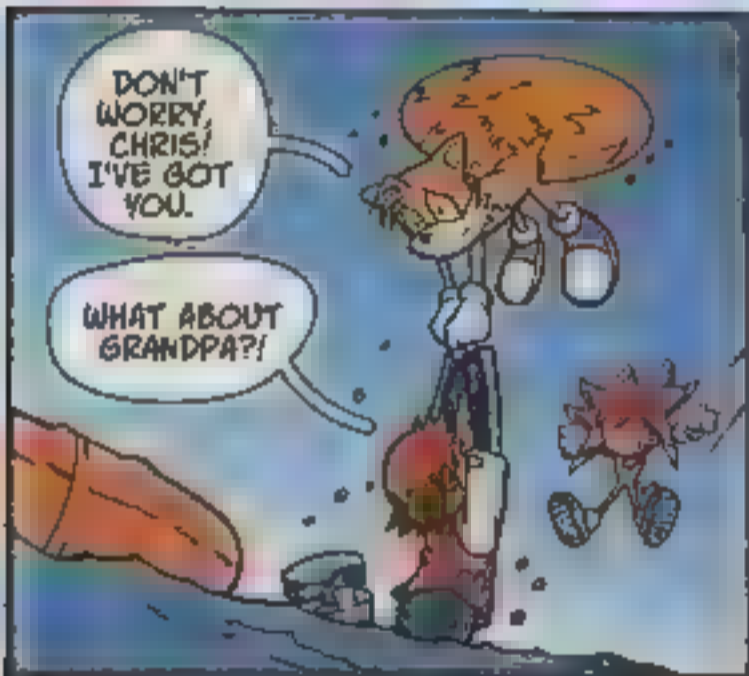
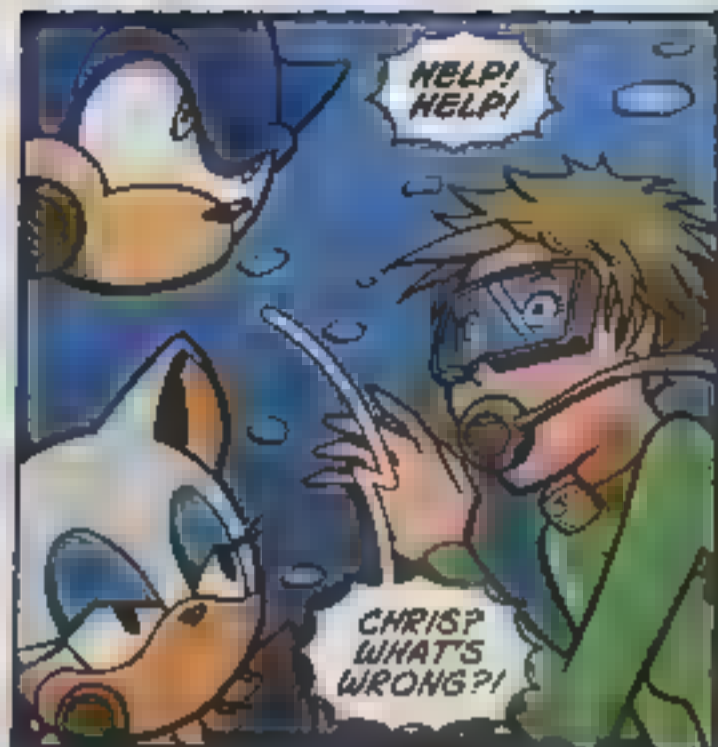
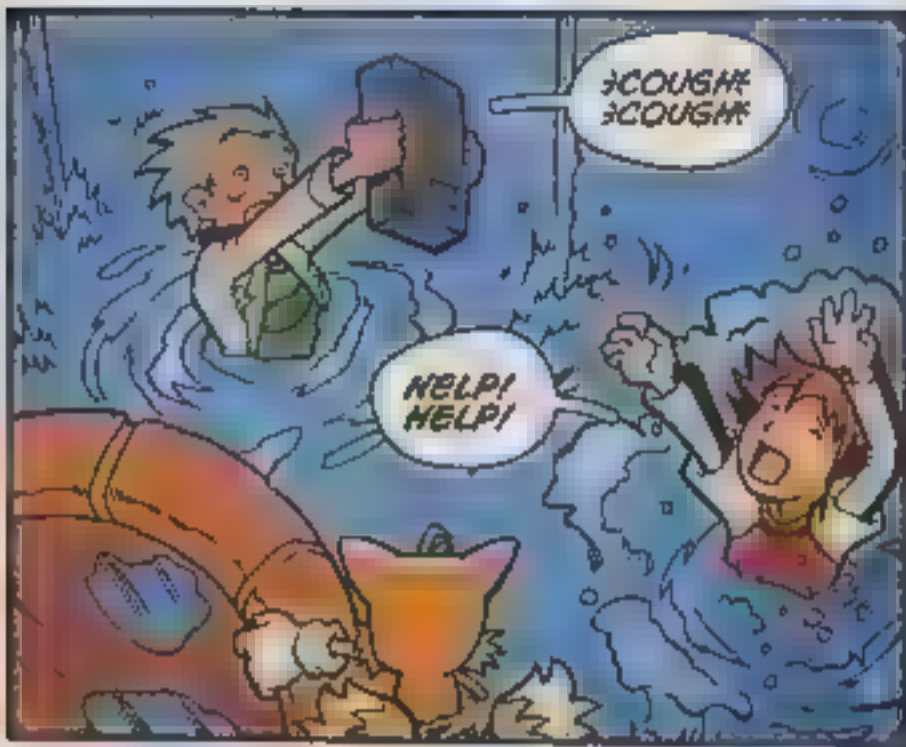
AAAAHHH!

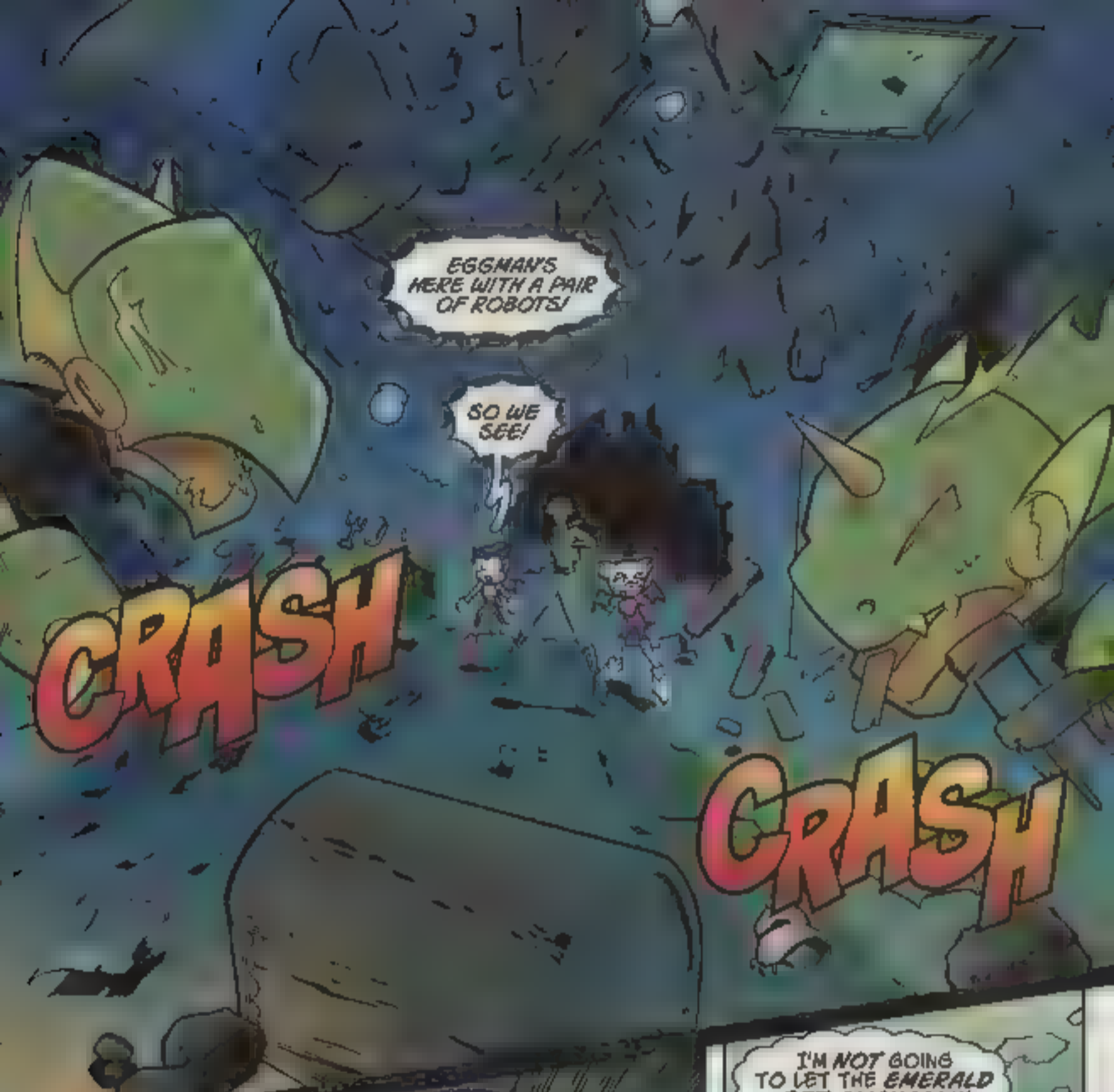


SPLOOSH!

LOOKS LIKE SONIC'S GONNA NEED ALL THE HELP HE CAN GET!







EGGMAN'S
HERE WITH A PAIR
OF ROBOTS!

SO WE
SEE!

CRASH

CRASH



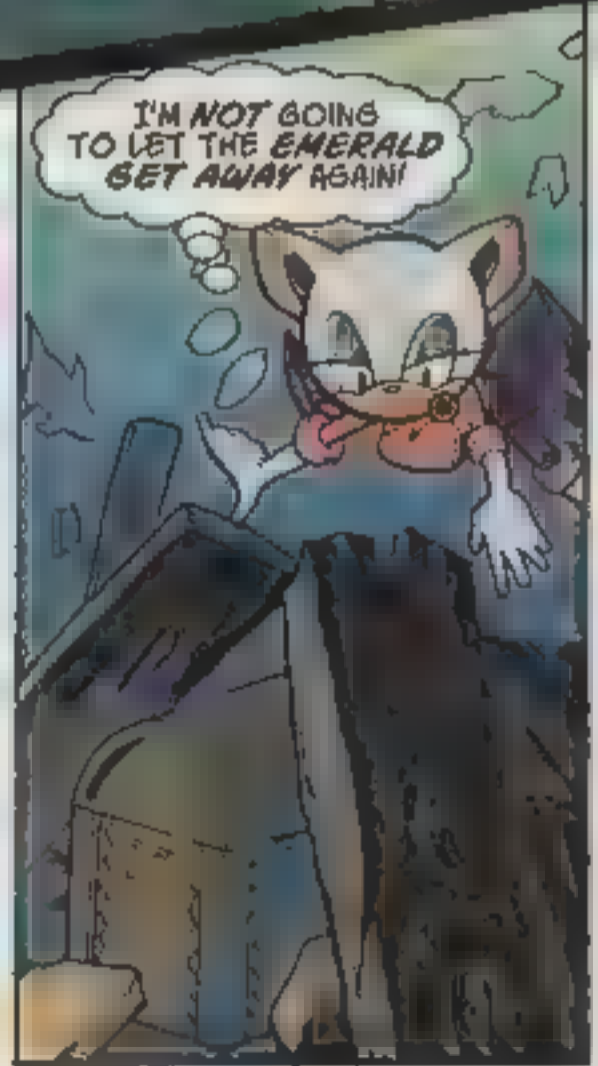
WHAT'S LEFT
OF THIS CANDELABRUM
ISN'T GOING TO STOP
THAT THING!



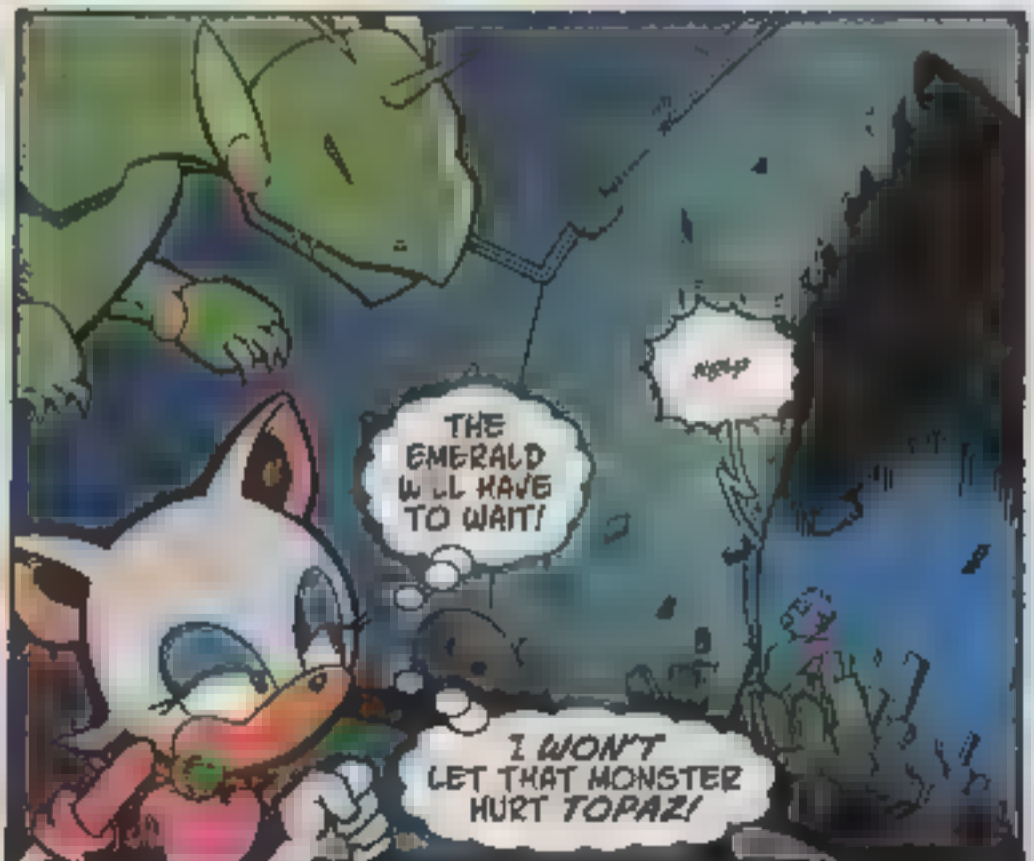
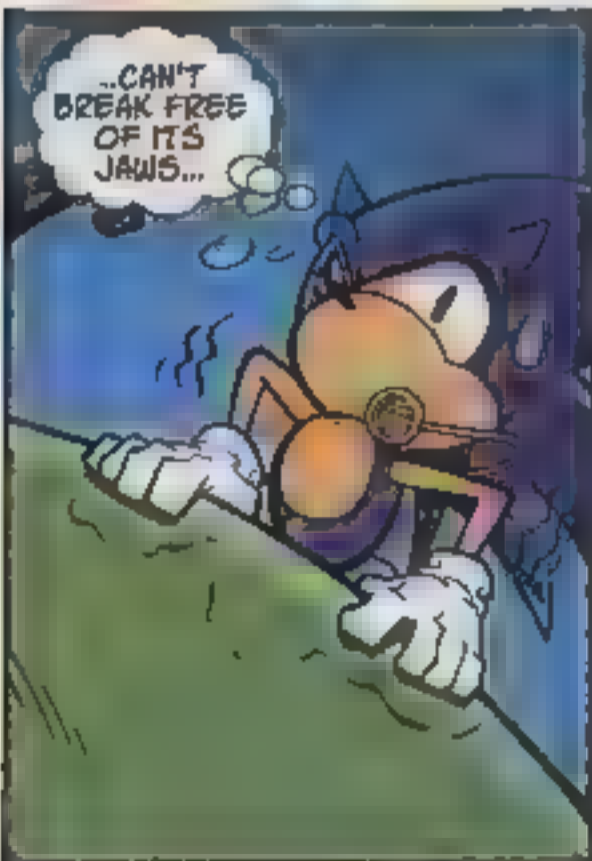
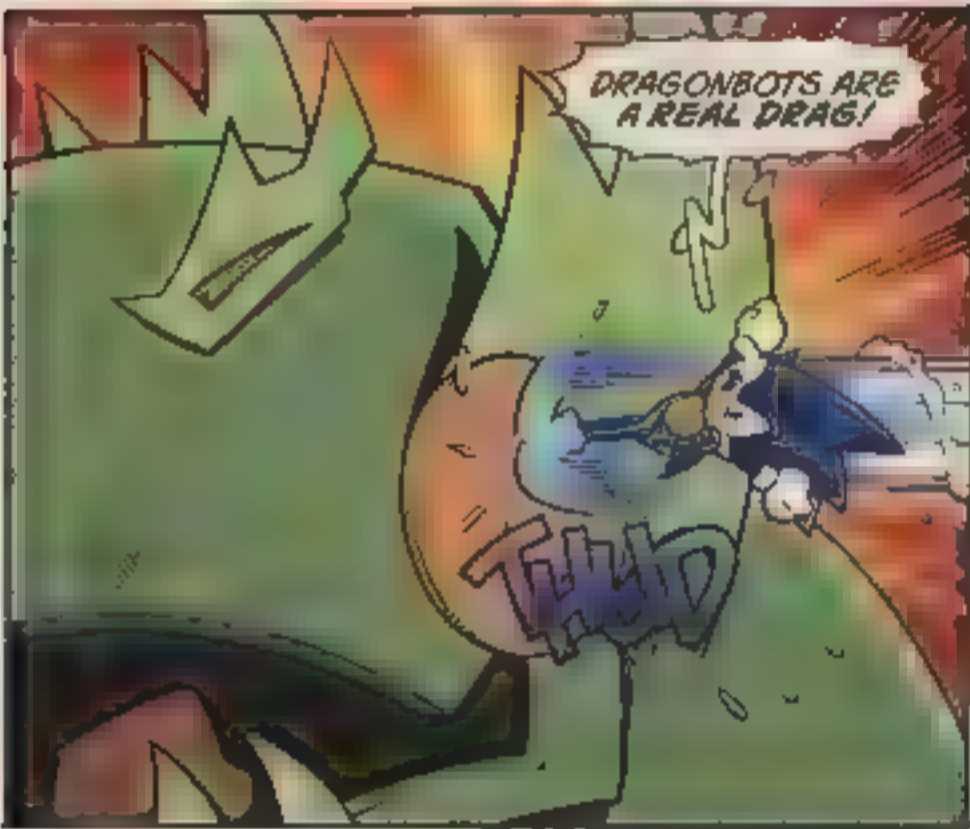
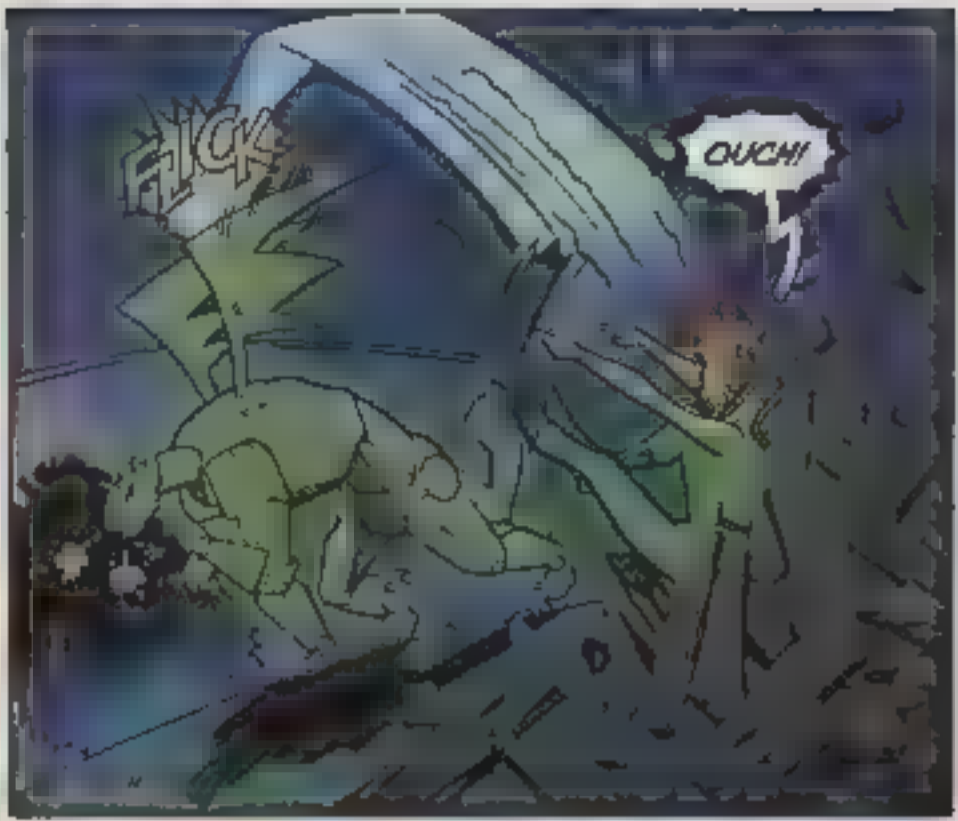
WHY DID
I AGREE TO
THIS?

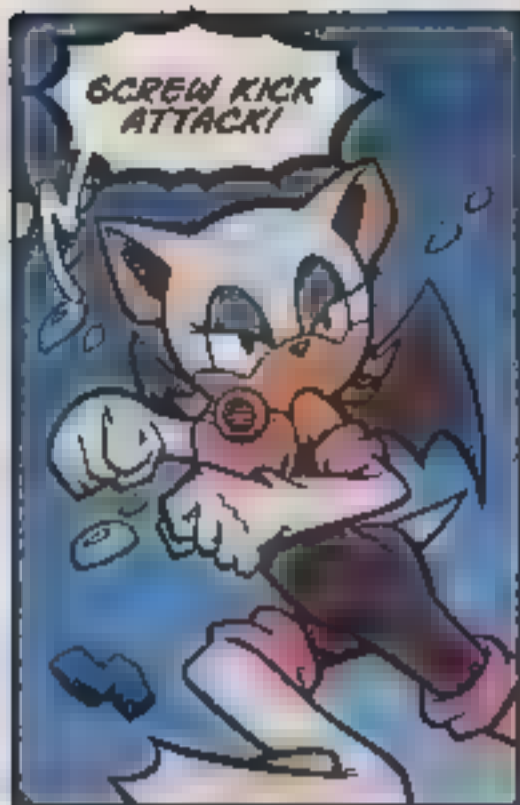
I NEVER
HAVE ANY FUN
WHEN WATER'S
INVOLVED!

THUNK



I'M NOT GOING
TO LET THE EMERALD
GET AWAY AGAIN!

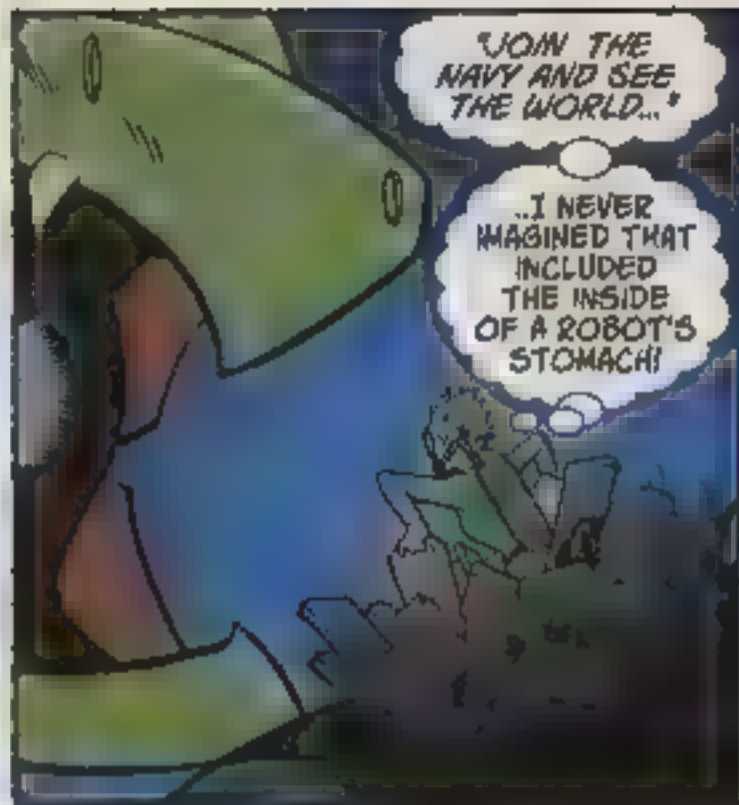




SCREW KICK
ATTACK!

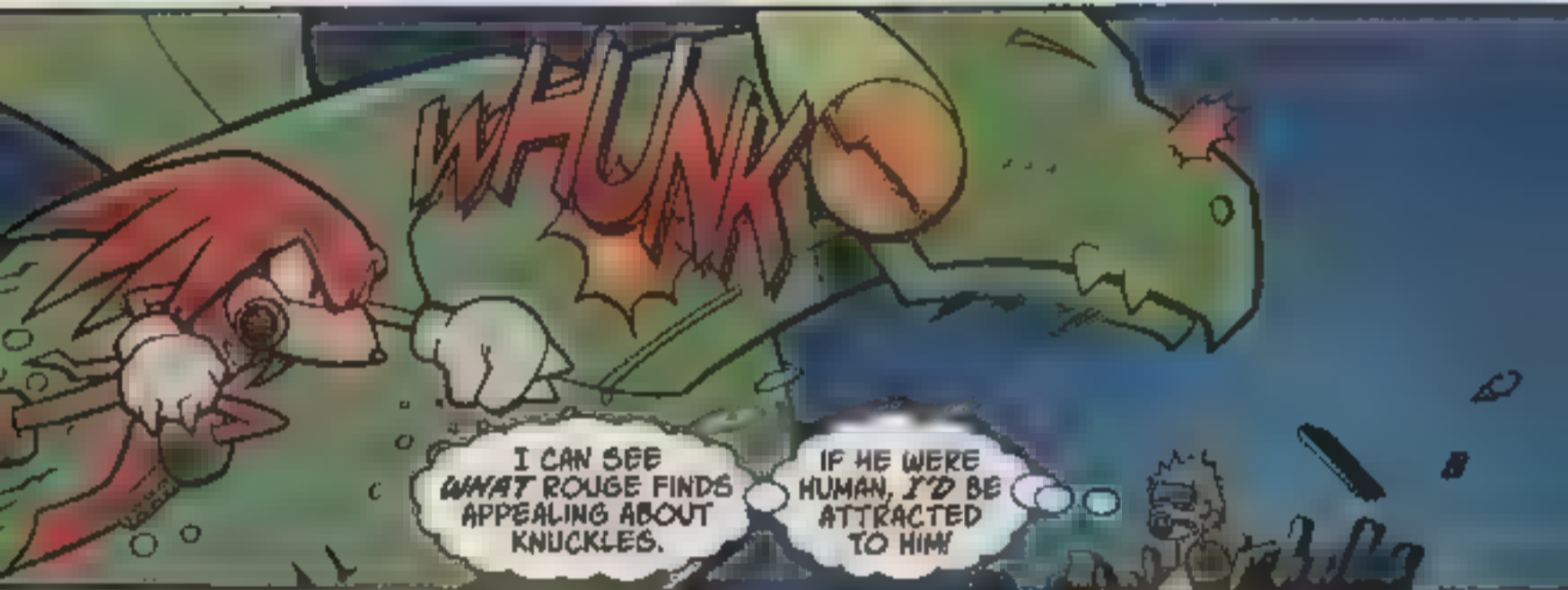


OH NO! I CAN'T SPIN
FAST ENOUGH UNDER
WATER TO USE
MY SCREW KICK
ATTACK.



JOIN THE
NAVY AND SEE
THE WORLD...

...I NEVER
MAGINED THAT
INCLUDED
THE INSIDE
OF A ROBOT'S
STOMACH!



I CAN SEE
WHAT ROUGE FINDS
APPEALING ABOUT
KNUCKLES.

IF HE WERE
HUMAN, I'D BE
ATTRACTED
TO HIM!



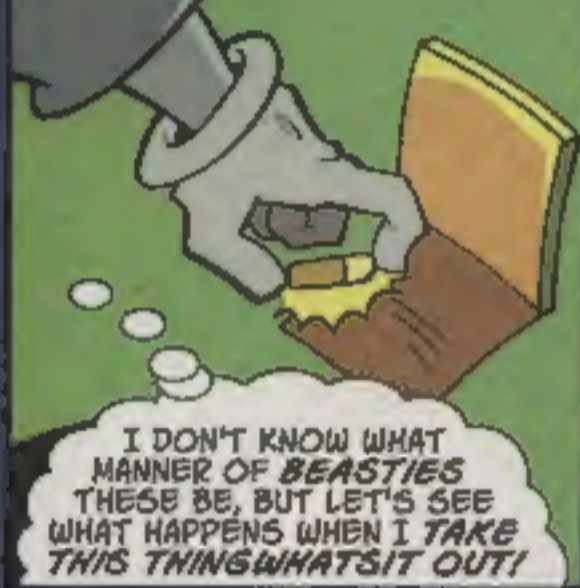
HEY,
GUYS!



I COULD
USE A LITTLE
HELP HERE.

ARRRRRR!
AND HELP VE
SHALL HAVE,
MATEY!

KNUCKLES, ROUGE, AND TOPAZ MAY BE DISTRACTED BY PROBLEMS OF THEIR OWN, BUT SONIC'S RESCUE IS AT ~~HANDS~~



I DON'T KNOW WHAT MANNER OF BEASTIES THESE BE, BUT LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I TAKE THIS THING WHATSIT OUT!



THE ROBOT'S STOPPED MOVING, BUT WHAT'S THAT THING FLOATING OVER THERE?



LOOKS LIKE SONIC GOT FREE!

EXCELLENT! MAYBE IF WE ALL WORK TOGETHER, WE CAN TAKE THIS THING DOWN!

BAM!

THANK

WHACK



WHAT'S THIS? I SAW IT FLOATING AWAY FROM THE BOT...

IT LOOKS LIKE A BATTERY-- WITH EGGMAN'S FACE ON IT!



YIKES! IT POPPED OPEN!

I DON'T KNOW WHERE EGGMAN GOT SOME OF MY RINGS...

...BUT THEY'RE JUST WHAT I NEED RIGHT NOW!



IT'S BOT BOPPIN' TIME!

EVEN WATER CAN'T SLOW SONIC DOWN WHEN HE'S IN SUPER SPIN MODE.

BUT CAN THE COMBINED POWER OF OUR HEROES STOP THE ROBOT?



YAY,
SONIC!

BLASTED
BLUE-FURRED
BRAT!

SHARRRUMPH!
LET'S BLOW THIS
POP STAND!

EGGMAN'S
GETTING
AWAY!

AT LEAST
WE GOT THE
TREASURE
CHEST!

I JUST
WANT TO
GET OUT
OF THE
WATER!

AWE! THAT
BE THE MOST
FUN I'VE HAD SINCE
I CROSSED THE
GRAND LINE!

MAYBE IT
WAS THE
SHOST OF
CAPTAIN
RED-EYE.

I
CAN'T HELP
FEELING I
HAD HELP,
TAILS.

HOW
DID YOU BEAT
THE ROBOT
UNDER WATER,
SONIC?

WHAT A
RIP-OFF!
YOU JUST
CAN'T
TRUST
MEN!

LATER...
SO THERE
WAS NO
EMERALD.
IT WAS JUST
A TRICK TO
LURE US
HERE.

YOU HAVEN'T
SEEN THE LAST OF
ME, SONIC!

THE KOMODO
DRAGONS FAILED, BUT
THE NEXT ANIMALS TO
PILOT MY BOTS WILL BE
THE MOST VICIOUS
PLANET EARTH HAS
TO OFFER...

...AND YOU
WON'T BE ABLE
TO STOP THEM
WITHOUT HURTING
YOUR PRECIOUS
FRIENDS!

HAHAHA
HAHA

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